

SAVE OUR LAKES



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DROUGHT HITS LAKE BROOKLYN HARD



The continuing drought conditions have completely dried up the Lake Brooklyn lobe behind what was once Sabo's and is now A Child's Garden Daycare Center.

We recommend using extreme caution in boating through the pass under the Highway 21 "Brooklyn Bridge" as the water is getting very shallow and narrow in this area again.



LAKE GENEVA RESTORATION AREA 3 C&S Site Prep, Inc. has completed the removal of the harvestable trees and other material in Area 3. Material that remains has been piled up in anticipation of C&S returning when the Clay County burn ban is lifted and conditions permit the burning of the material in place. This is the first time in decades that the residents of Breezy Point have been able to see the Keystone Beach Pavilion.

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LAKE GENEVA RESTORATION UPDATE: Areas 1,3 and 4 are complete other than the piled debris to be burned by C & S Site Prep once the burn ban is lifted and conditions allow for safe burning.

Area 2 has had the merchantable timber above 4" removed in most areas and still awaits some additional cutting of other material to be completed in the coming weeks. Once Save-Our-Lakes has the all clear from County Staff that the contractor has completed their scope for this area, we will be looking to assemble volunteer efforts to pile and stage the leftover materials for burning at a later date when this is allowed. More news to come for this area but ...I remind all that there was NOT adequate funding available for C & S to get Area 2 to the same condition as Areas 1, 3 and 4.

Area 5 (Bradford County residents side) We are still seeking a safe and affordable solution to tree removal in this area.

SJRWMD GOVERNING BOARD Mtg. 10:00 AM TUESDAY, 6/9/2026 at the Palatka Office
Verify on website: www.sjrwmd.com/governingboard/ (Live Streaming is available)

SOLO WEBSITE www.saveourlakes.org
You can get information as well as communicate with us through our website: www.saveourlakes.org or our email: save-our-lakes@comcast.net. Our newsletter comes out once a month by email and US Mail (usually the first week of the month).
Please feel free to check us out!

5/27/2026 DATA (Elevations NAVD88)
Brooklyn Level: 98.5Ft (-0.9 Ft)
Alligator Creek Flow: 0 MGD Level: 108.9 Ft
Geneva Level: 90.05Ft (-0.35 Ft)
S. Fork Black Creek (SR-16): Flow: 4.5 MGD; Level: 8.8 Ft
SJRWMD Monthly Radar Rain Keystone: 1.28"
(Source: SJRWMD and USGS)

**DON'T IMPEED PROGRESS!
LEAVE THE SURVEY STAKES ALONE!**

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The Saint Johns River Water Management District has issued a PHASE III Extreme Water Shortage Declaration in response to ongoing exceptional drought conditions, declining ground water levels and reduced surface water flows across northeast and central Florida. Under Phase III restrictions landscape irrigation continues to be limited to one day per week for residential, commercial and institutional properties including managed landscapes and athletic fields. Restrictions on irrigation for new plantings, including sod, have been tightened.

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To view the complete water shortage order, including detailed requirements for each water use category and water conservation tips, visit sjrwmd.com/wateringrestrictions.

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The District's Water Shortage Plan allows for progressively stronger measures if conditions continue to worsen. Taking steps now will lessen the need for additional restrictions in the future. Be part of the solution, not part of the problem.



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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION and RENEWAL FORM

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SOLO's next members' meeting will be at 7:00 PM, Tuesday, 7/14/2026, in the First Baptist Church Fellowship Hall, Look for our meeting signs around Keystone Heights. See you there!

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